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1. THE PILOT STUDY ON ADVANCED HEALTH CARE,
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APPROVED BY THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL IN 1971--

IT HAD FOUR PROJECTS:

--ORGANIZED AMBULATORY HEALTH SERVICE (PILOT FRG)

-- SYSTEMATIC ASSESSMENT OF HEALTH SERVICE (PILOT CANADA)

-- AUTOMATED CLINICAL LABS (PILOT UK)
-- EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (COPILOTS ITALY,
PORTUGAL, US)

THE USA (EGEBERG) REPORTED THAT EACH GROUP MET
ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS. THEIR INDIVIDUAL PROJECT
REPORTS ARE SUMMARIZED IN AC/274-D/63.

THE PARTICIPATING MEMBERS RESOLVED TO CONTINUE
TO EXPAND EXISTING KNOWLEDGE, INCREASE EFFICIENCY,
AND PROMOTE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AMONG INTERESTED
PERSONS AND COUNTRIES.

2. REPORTING ON THE ORGANIZED AMBULATORY HEALTH
SERVICE PROJECT, THE FRG (VON MANGER-KOENIG)
NOTED THE GROUP'S RECOMMENDATIONS: (A) ENCOURAGE
GREATER COLLABORATION BETWEEN NATIONAL AND INTER-
NATIONAL HEALTH GROUPS; (B) DEVELOP COMMON METHODOLOGY
AND TERMINOLOGY; (C) STRIVE TO RATIONALIZE MEDICAL
SCHOOL CURRICULAR (D) CONSIDER CREATING MINISTRY OF
HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

3. CANADA (ROBERTSON) OUTLINED THE RECOMMENDATIONS
OF THE SYSTEMATIC ASSESSMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
GROUP: (A) DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTERNAL COMMON
VOCABULARY AND TERMS OF REFERENCE TO FACILITATE
INFORMATION EXCHANGE; (B) CONTINUATION OF INFOR-
MATION EXCHANGE ON A BILATERAL BASIS BETWEEN
COUNTRIES WITH SIMILAR INSTITUTIONAL STRUCTURE AND
NEEDS; (C) CREATION OF AN EXPERT COMMITTEE TO
FOSTER EXCHANGE ON A MULTILATERAL BASIS; (D)
INITIATION OF CONTACTS BETWEEN THE EXPERT COMMITTEE
AND AN INTERNATIONAL HEALTH ORGANIZATION WITH A
VIEW TOWARD ESTABLISHING THE COMMITTEE AS AN
ADVISORY GROUP TO SUCH AN ORGANIZATION ON SYSTEMATIC
ASSESSMENT; (E) INTERNATIONAL DISSEMINATION OF ALL
INFORMATION ALREADY COLLECTED; (F) EVALUATION OF
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THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS AT
LEAST UNTIL 1978.

4. UK (FAIRCLOUGH), REVIEWING THE AUTOMATED
CLINICAL LABORATORIES PROJECT, COMMENTED
THAT IT IS REALISTIC TO EXPECT THE DEVELOPMENT OF
A MODULAR AUTOMATED CLINICAL LABORATORY SYSTEM
THAT COULD BENEFIT HOSPITALS OF ALL SIZES, IN PART
THROUGH THE INSTALLATION OF REGIONAL NETWORKS.
HE REPORTED THAT THE GROUP RECOMMENDED,
INTER ALIA, THAT A REVIEWING BIBLIOGRAPHY ON
THE AUTOMATION OF CLINICAL LABORATORIES BE
PRODUCED.

5. IN SUMMARIZING THE WORK OF THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROJECT, EGEBERG NOTED THE LARGE NUMBER OF DEATHS IN NATO COUNTRIES RESULTING FROM THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE MEDICAL HELP QUICKLY. THE NEED FOR FOLLOW-UP WORK, BOTH NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY, IS ESSENTIAL TO CONTINUE TO IMPROVE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE, TO DEVELOP COMMON PROCEDURE, AND TO DISSEMINATE AVAILABLE INFORMATION.

6. THE US WILL HOST THE NEXT EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE CONFERENCE IN MAY 1976 AS AN OFFICIAL BICENTENNIAL PROJECT OF THE US DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE. FURTHER MEETINGS HAVE BEEN RECOMMENDED FOR MONTPELLIER, FRANCE, IN SEPTEMBER 1977 AND OSLO, NORWAY, IN JULY 1978.

7. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE DISCUSSION, DR. EGEBERG WAS WARMLY THANKED AND CONGRATULATED FOR HIS LEADERSHIP IN DIRECTING THE PROJECT BY CHAIRMAN OZDAS, THE UK, CANADA, THE FRG, ITALY, AND PORTUGAL. STRAUSS-HUPE

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